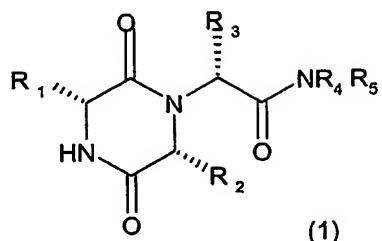


Claims

1. A compound of formula (1)



5 wherein R₁ is 2-indanyl, R₂ is 1-methylpropyl, R₃ is 2-methyl-1,3-oxazol-4-yl and R₄ and R₅ together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached represents morpholino.

10 2. (3R,6R)-3-(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)-1-[(1R)-1-(2-methyl-1,3-oxazol-4-yl)-2-(4-morpholinyl)-2-oxoethyl]-6-[(1S)-1-methylpropyl]-2,5-piperazinedione.

15 3. (3R,6R)-3-(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)-1-[(1R)-1-(2-methyl-1,3-oxazol-4-yl)-2-(4-morpholinyl)-2-oxoethyl]-6-[(1R)-1-methylpropyl]-2,5-piperazinedione.

20 4. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of formula (1) as claimed in 1 together with one or more pharmaceutically acceptable carriers.

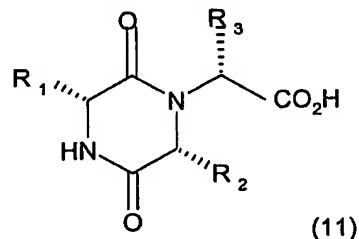
5. The use of compound of formula (1) as defined in claim 1 for the manufacture of a medicament for antagonising the effects of oxytocin on the oxytocin receptor.

25 6. A method of treating or preventing diseases or conditions mediated through the action of oxytocin which comprises administering to a

mammal in need thereof of an effective amount of a compound of the formula (I)

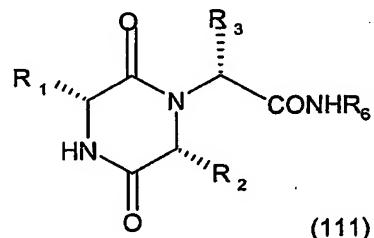
7. A process for A the preparation of compounds of formula (I) which
5 comprises:

(a) reacting a compound of formula (II)



wherein R₁, R₂ and R₃ have the meanings defined in claim 1 or a mixed
10 anhydride thereof, with the amine NHR₄R₅ wherein R₄ and R₅ have the
meaning defined in formula (I) under the standard condition for preparing
amides from a carboxylic acid or a mixed anhydride thereof and an amine.

(b) reacting a compound of formula (III)



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wherein R₁, R₂ and R₃ have the meanings defined in claim 1 and R₆ is 2-hydroxyphenyl with carbonyldiimidazole or thiocarbonyldiimidazole in a suitable solvent and subsequent reaction of the product thus formed with
20 amine NHR₄R₅ wherein R₄ and R₅ have the meaning defined in formula (I).